



HOLLISTER POLICE DEPARTMENT

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HOLLISTER POLICE ARREST TWO IN VIOLENT ASSAULT

HOLLISTER, CALIFORNIA – *October 31, 2009* – On October 31, 2009, Hollister Police arrested two men after responding to a report of a fight in progress at the 7-11 convenience store, located at 915 San Benito Street.

At about 1:59 a.m. officers responding to the fight call found two victims at the 7-11 store. One victim had a large laceration to his forehead and the other had multiple injuries to his head and face. The victims told officers that five or six suspects at the 7-11 store had attacked them. The suspects reportedly yelled gang slurs and repeatedly punched and kicked the victims while they were on the ground. Hollister firefighters and paramedics treated the victims for their injuries.

Hollister resident Jason Gutierrez, 20, was arrested for felony battery after a witness identified him as being involved in the attack. He was booked into county jail.

During the investigation, 23-year-old Adrian Medina, also of Hollister, was arrested for resisting arrest after he led officers on a short foot chase. He, too, was booked into county jail.

The other suspects fled the scene prior to police arrival and remain at large.

That same night Hollister Police responded to Hazel Hawkins Hospital on another report of an assault. A 21-year-old male was being treated for a laceration on the back of his head. He reported being struck, possibly with an aluminum baseball bat, by an unknown assailant in the area of San Benito and Haydon Streets. It is unknown at this time if the two cases are related.

Anyone with information regarding these incidents is requested to contact Detective Don Pershall at 636-4330. Persons wishing to remain anonymous may call **WeTIP** at **(800) 78-CRIME**.

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